

## Students vote not to strike

by Anders Hayden

Only 55 students, far short of the 200 required to pass binding resolutions, attended the General Assembly yesterday to debate McGill's response to the provincial government's inaction on loans and bursaries reform.

The Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) called the Assembly so students could decide whether they preferred SSMU's moderate proposal for action or a three day student strike proposed by the provincial student movement, L'Association nationale des étudiantes et étudiants du Québec (ANEEQ).

The Assembly decided in favour of the SSMU proposal. A resolution was passed calling for a campus-wide information campaign on loans and bursaries, participation in the province-wide demonstration on October 28, and participation in picketing at the meeting of the Liberal Party of Québec on October 29. The SSMU package differed from ANEEQ's proposal only in that it did not call for strike action.

Three friendly amendments to the motion were added before it was passed. An in-classroom information campaign will be launched and transportation will be provided for students attending the October 28 protest at Lafontaine Park. A mobilization committee of five students will be formed to carry out the recommendations.

The ANEEQ proposal for a general student strike was rejected by the Assembly. Only four students voted in favor of the strike action.

According to SSMU VP External, Mark Cameron, a lot of work is needed simply to mobilize people for the more moderate SSMU proposal.

ANEEQ representative François Giguère said the SSMU resolution was about the best McGill could adopt given the lack of student knowledge of the issue.

But Giguère was not disheartened by the turn of events. He said the discussion itself represented "serious progress". In the past the issue has not been a priority at McGill.

Giguère hoped that the limited action taken by McGill would add to the pressure on the provincial government. He added that the action should "scare the government since McGill was formerly hostile to ANEEQ and is now discussing ANEEQ concerns."

The second resolution, which was overwhelmingly accepted, stated that SSMU's priority with

regards to loans and bursaries reform is to increase student eligibility for "independent status". As it stands now, many students are denied funds since they are still considered dependent on their parents, whether or not they actually receive any money from them. The SSMU proposal called for independent status to be granted as soon as the student leaves the home.

The motion also demanded abolition of the spousal contribution. The government presently considers the income of spouses when calculating funding for students. In addition, the motion called for a reduction in the contribution demanded from parents for their child's education.

Cameron said that under the present policy even families below the poverty line are expected to contribute to the cost of their chil-

dren's education. SSMU proposed that only parents with incomes above the poverty line should be expected to pay.

Cameron said afterwards, "the content of the discussion was about what I had expected." He added that he was disappointed by the small turnout.

Many students believe SSMU failed to publicize the General Assembly sufficiently.

According to Cameron, \$500 was spent on advertising the event, with announcements appearing in the *Tribune* and *Daily*. But he later admitted that a lack of publicity, as well as midterm exams and general student apathy, were the reasons for the poor turnout.

Since the General Assembly lacked quorum, the amended resolutions must be ratified by the SSMU Council next Tuesday.

## Province stalls on police board reforms

by Robert Steiner

Seven months after Public Security Minister Herbert Marx told Montréal Urban Community (MUC) politicians he would consider increasing civilian representation on Quebec's police complaint boards, MUC councillor Marvin Rotrand says he is still waiting for Quebec City to follow-up on the promise.

"In March, the minister told us that he would introduce changes to the MUC act so as to make the boards open to more civilians. We were expecting legislation in the National Assembly in June," Rotrand told the *Daily*.

"Since then he has done zilch to meet our demands for reform," he said.

Currently, complaints about police behaviour must be assessed by an internal investigating officer assigned to the case by police before being heard in a closed session of the complaint board.

"The board is composed of four police officers and three civilians and it rarely calls witnesses to testify," Rotrand said.

For three years, Montréal ethnic groups have been pressuring provincial politicians to change the boards. The campaign intensified after MUC constable Allan Gosset shot and killed black teenager Anthony Griffin behind his NDG station house last November.

In February the Québec Police Commission found Gosset guilty of negligence. Police Chief Roland Bourget fired him in August.

But the commission's findings left many leaders of Montréal's Black community worried.

"The fear of becoming a police state may sound far fetched, but this is what some Montréalers are thinking when a man like Gosset is found by a disciplinary board to be guilty of negligence rather than racism," said Alix Jean of the Black Community Council of Quebec (BCCQ).

"The more delays there are to changing the police complaint boards, the more likely it is that public opinion will go Gosset's way," he said.

Shortly after Gosset's firing, Quebec's Human Rights Commission announced its support for the reforms.

Marx's silence on the issue after the Human Rights Commission finding puzzles Jean.

"At first when the Human Rights Commission came out with the same call as the MUC had done, I was sure Marx would go at it right away," he said. "From what I can see, his response has not been that positive."

But MUC police brotherhood president Yves Prud'homme says he's not concerned by claims that Québec City is stalling reform plans.

"We don't want any legislators to move too quickly on this issue," Prud'homme said.

"What we need is an effective, province-wide complaint code which ensures the safety of both citizens and policepeople. Passing continued on page 2



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## University and Union disagree over holidays

### Strike still in stalemate

by Mark Quinn

McGill university and striking Physical Plant employees are still in a stalemate after three days of picketing.

The approximately 100 employees under the Syndicat Canadien des officiers de Marine Marchande (SCOMM) are complaining that they have not had a contract for two years.

Since the beginning of 1987, the union has been negotiating with McGill University representatives in order to renew a labour agreement which expired Dec. 31, 1986.

The two parties reached an agreement in principle last spring. "We had an agreement in principle on June 23," said Union representative Albert Robillard. "We were supposed to have a written copy of the agreement by mid-July, we didn't get it till early September."

According to an information letter issued by the Union Negotiation Committee (UNC), "At the beginning of Sept. '88, while revising the final texts upon which we had agreed, more than 15 articles did not reflect the language negotiated on June 22, and the main article was the statutory holidays for the years 1988-89 and 1989-90."

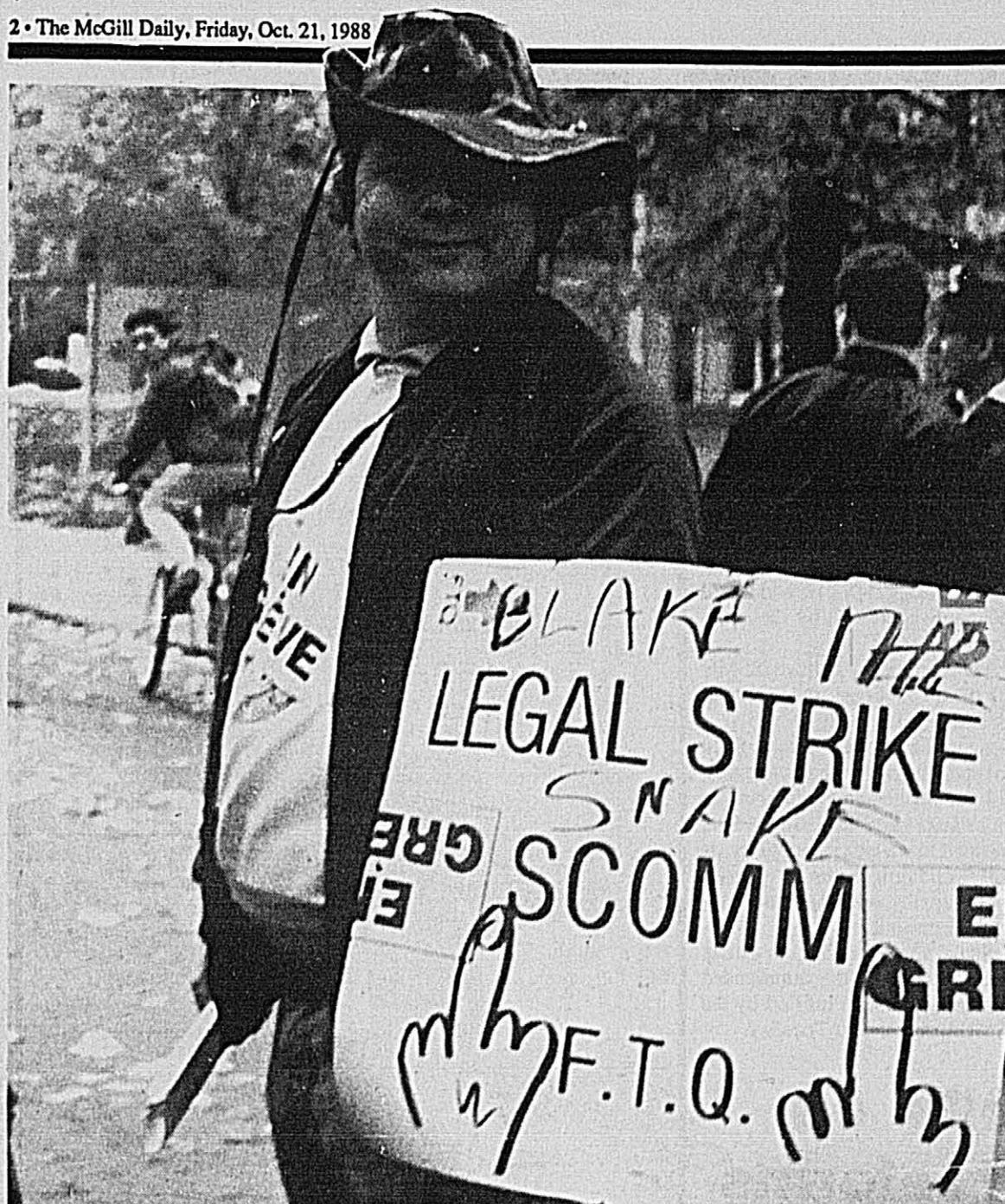
According to Vice-Principal Administration and Finance John Armour, "Last Friday, the University and the Union met the provincial conciliator assigned to this negotiation for assistance in resolving this misunderstanding. The University also proposed that 'binding arbitration' be used to resolve the issue. This proposal was rejected." Employees and the University are deadlocked over the issue of scheduling holidays.

Union representatives said, "We had negotiated and obtained that the number of statutory holidays would include four floating days, and if these days are 'floating', then employees should be able to take them when they wish after advising an immediate superior in writing."

Armour said, "The University wants to maintain its managerial right to establish the employees' work schedule during the Christmas vacation period. Specifically, the University does not want these employees to be working when their supervisors, managers and most other University employees are on Christmas Holidays."

According to Robillard, the university does not understand why the employees want control over their continued on page 2





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holidays. Many of the workers like to take their holidays during the hunting and fishing season. "They (University officials) can afford to go to Florida when ever they like," he said.

"The employer wants to force the employees to use these floating days during the Christmas period, in order to close the university the afternoon of Dec. 21st," said the Negotiation Committee's information letter.

"The universities proposed Christmas vacation schedule does not treat these employees any differently than other unionized em-

ployees or non-academic, non-unionized employees on campus," said Armour.

According to the Negotiation Committee, "We have made concessions in offering to use two of the floating days during the Christmas period. The two other days would be used at the employees' discretion during the calendar year. If the employer is ready to accept the offer of binding arbitration, then why not accept the compromise made before the conciliator by the negotiation committee?"

Armour released a statement on the University's operating policies during the strike. "The university

expects to fulfill its obligations to its students and continue its teaching and administrative operations." But he added that the internal mail service would be minimal.

Jean-Pierre Morin, director of Inter-University Relations said, "services will not be affected, because managers are doing the work of employees."

"University representatives are ready to meet with the conciliator and the union representatives at any time, it's up to them," said Morin.

The strike is continuing today. At present, no negotiations are taking place.

## EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21.

UNICEF Québec: Conference on Human Rights for Children at Concordia University. 14h00 at Henry F. Hall Pavillion, 1455 De Maisonneuve Blvd. West - room 110.

McGill Debating Union: Meeting and debates. All welcome. In Arts 270 at 15h00.

Caribbean Students' Society: General Meeting at 18h00 in Union B-09/B-10.

McGill Christian Fellowship: Speaker Don Page on Christian Responsibility in Government at 19h00 in Leacock 232.

McGill Programming Network's Speakers Committee: Presents Donald Woods on "Cry Freedom: Apartheid and the Tragedy of South Africa". Leacock building, 855 Sherbrooke West, Room 132, 19h00. Admission: \$7.00 General Public, \$4.00 McGill Students with I.D. For more info: 398-6795.

Judicial Board Hearing: on the McGill Industrial Relations Association 1988-1989 elections. Union 302, 20h30.

Theatresports: Once again gets it on tonight at 22h09 at Players' Theatre, 3rd floor Union Building. Wear your player's t-shirt and get in for free. \$1 for everybody else.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

McGill Student Pugwash: Potluck Supper at Presbyterian College, 660 Milton, at 19h00. For info. call 284-6291 or 939-5987.

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the plan through quickly in order to appease who ever is worried about it won't result in an effective reform."

Prud'homme suggested police be subject to a provincial discipline board similar to those governing Quebec's doctors and lawyers.

"Herbert Marx has stated publicly that this is the kind of reform he wants, and the Human Rights Commission has also supported those plans," he said.



# RESTRICTING NATIVE EDUCATION

**T**he Canadian government says that recent restrictive reforms to Native education programs are not repressive but actually further Native educational autonomy.

BY TREFOR SMITH

May 12, 1987 marked the beginning of the Canadian government's attack on the Post Secondary Education Assistance Program (PSEAP) for Native students. On that day, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Bill McKnight introduced three "interim revisions" to the Education Assistance Guidelines and a five point system for selecting which students will be eligible for education assistance.

On March 30, 1988, the government imposed further restrictions on the program by placing a ceiling on Native post secondary funding.

The PSEAP has been in effect since the mid-1970s. Its goal used to be to rectify Native under-representation at Canadian universities.

Kenneth Deer, a public representative of the Mohawk community at Kahnawake and an important functionary in past national Native education committees, called the past PSEAP a "very successful program over the years."

But now the government wants to make changes.

"The government feels there are enough [Native students at post secondary institutions], so now they are imposing a funding ceiling," he said. Deer added the revised program does not take

into consideration the interests of Native peoples. "It is detrimental to the development of the community," he said.

The new government assistance selectivity guidelines and newly fixed budget have prevented many Native students from continuing their education this fall.

Last May, in a letter to the government's standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs, Beverly Scow, Pacific Region Indigenous Caucus Delegate to the Canadian Federation of Students, outlined her concerns concerning the budget ceiling. She said the 10 per cent increase in this year's budget is "far from sufficient," citing the rapid growth of the Native population, and the fact that 1000 Native students were denied funding for the 1988-89 school year.

The PSEAP's regional system of allocating funds has always overlooked the fact that some regions support numbers of potential candidates out of proportion with the funding provided. Now, because of the new budget restrictions, a prohibition has banned appeals against rejections lodged on the basis of regional fund exhaustion.

According to Deer, other detrimental changes to the PSEAP are the restriction of the choice of

schools to regional institutions, and the new selectivity guidelines discriminating against potential graduate students.

## THE GOVERNMENT IS USING THE SELF-GOVERNMENT ISSUE TO OBSCURE ITS POLICY OF FUNDING CUT-BACKS

McKnight claims that Native groups were consulted on the changes made to the PSEAP. Control over the program's funds will, under the new guidelines, be handed to the council of each band. The government maintains

such a move is in line with Native demands for self-determination and self-government.

McKnight's claim to have consulted with Native groups on program changes is strongly refuted by Native leaders themselves. The July 27th circular of the Inter-Campus Native Student Committee on Native Education, in response to the Government's proposed changes to PSEAP points out that McKnight's claim to have had "essential Indian input and advice" is incorrect. The circular denies that any proper consultation has taken place between Native groups and the government as a result of which it recommends Native opposition to the revised Assistance Program.

Also, Native groups object to the label "self-government" being used as a pretext for funding cuts. Though in charge of the funds, native groups have no more options than before due to the restrictive effect of government policy and new budget limits.

Professor of Anthropology at McGill, Colin Scott, says the government's is using the self-government issue to obscure its policy of funding cut-backs. He calls the issue of the program cuts "a hot potato".

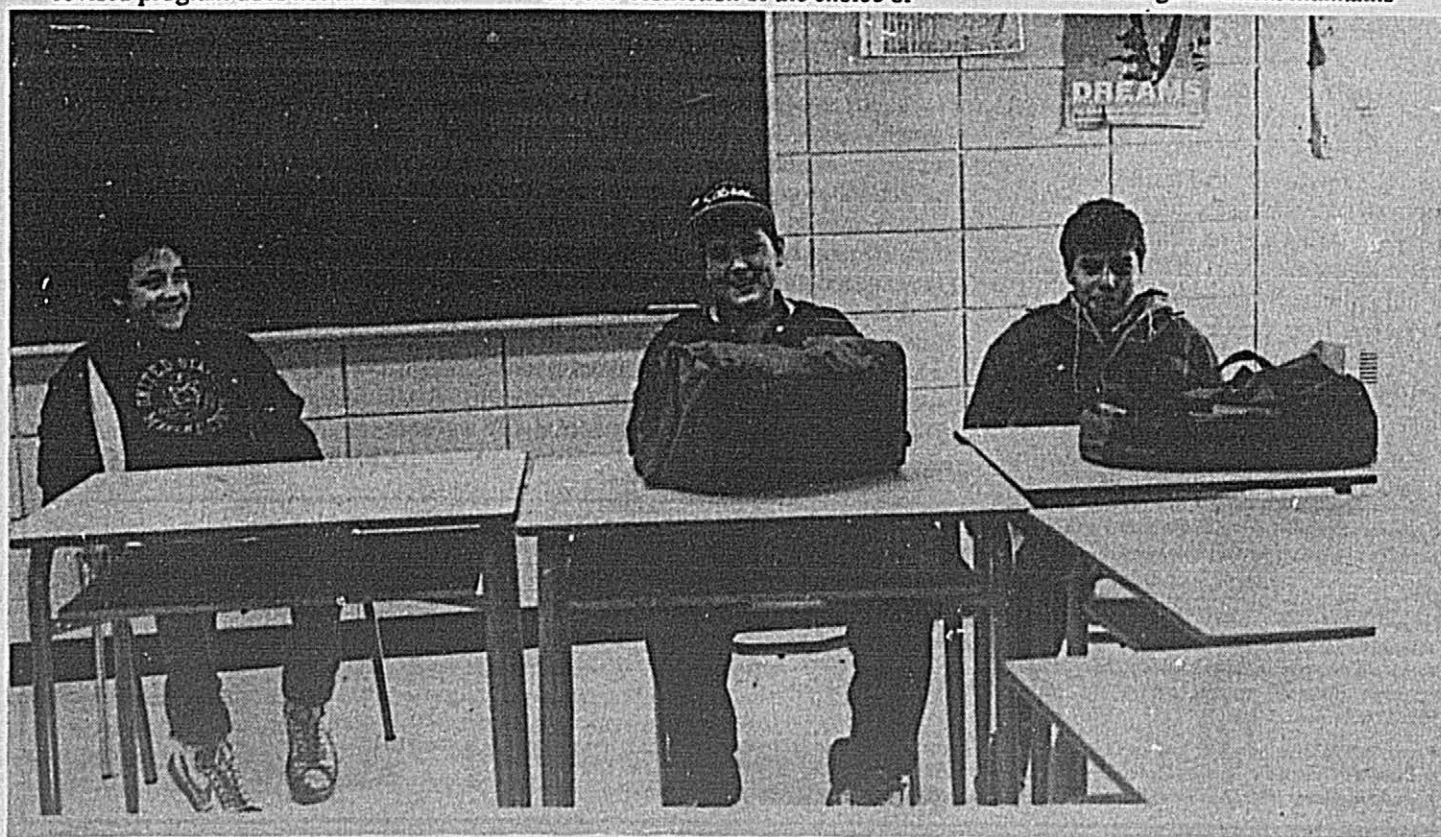
"Indian Affairs didn't want to be on the front line [of the cuts]," he said. Scott maintains that by giving the Native councils apparent control of the funding procedure the government can appear distanced from being the source of grievance.

At the present time, no student groups exists on campus that deals specifically with Native concerns. However, an action group from McGill Development and Peace is currently dealing with Native Indian affairs. It is open to all students and is particularly interested in meeting Native students on campus.



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Kahniwake Mohawks at Survival School



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COMMENT

# SSMU clings to desk-top activism

Yesterday the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) held a General Assembly to resolve in what way our student body will participate in the province wide campaign for loans and bursaries reform. The assembly was advertised, "The decision is up to you!... This is your chance to make a difference!"

But this advertisement only ran once in the *Daily*; there were no posters; the assembly was scheduled in the heart of midterms; and it was held in the Stewart Biology building, instead of a more centrally located campus facility.

No wonder the Assembly's audience never exceeded 60, most of whom were student councillors, clubs representatives, or student journalists.

The question of who the decision was up to is debatable.

Quorum for a General Assembly is 200 people. As this requirement never neared fulfillment, the Assembly was relegated to an informal meeting, the results of which would be brought up as recommendations, rather than decisions, at the next council meeting.

Not surprisingly, though, Council had already passed its own "pre-recommendations at its last meeting.

At this meeting the external affairs committee recommended to Council that McGill not participate in the three day student strike organised by l'Association nationale des étudiantes et étudiants du Québec (ANEEQ). It proposed that McGill students pursue a campus wide information campaign on loans and bursaries instead, including a petition and/or letter writing campaign. It also recommended unofficial participation in the province-wide ANEEQ demonstration on Friday, October 28, and in the informational picketing of the meeting of the Liberal Party of Québec in Montréal on October 29.

The General Assembly was quite obviously geared to promote council's adopted position, which ultimately passed. The agenda was arranged so that the ANEEQ alternative would not even be discussed unless a motion were forwarded from the audience to do so. And there was no formal presentation of ANEEQ's argument to rebut the SSMU position as offered by VP External Mark Cameron.

Cameron said participating in the ANEEQ strike would be "suicidal", because it takes place to soon after the next Council meeting, where participation will have to be officially approved, and there will be no time to publicize the action. This is nobody's fault but SSMU's, they knew exactly what schedule they had to work with. The Assembly should have been scheduled at an earlier date to ensure the feasibility of whatever might have been decided.

What is not clear is why McGill students were forced to choose between the two action alternatives. A campus information campaign should be happening regardless of other activities such as strikes. Letter writing and a petition and support of the ANEEQ strike make for a much stronger position than any of the three taken alone.

But such a concentrated effort is apparently too much to ask of our Student Government. The Assembly had no real effect on SSMU's position. As expected, the SSMU will attempt to initiate desk-top activism on campus, and who knows, maybe a few McGill students will actually make an "unofficial" contribute to the ANEEQ demonstrations on October 28 and 29.

But what good will participating in the demonstration be without the official endorsement of our student government? A few extra picketers straggling anonymously at the back of a protest means nothing compared to the advantages of presenting the provincial government with a unified student front.

And how can SSMU expect to mobilise the student body to write letters, when it couldn't entice more than 60 of 30 000 students to sit passively and learn about an issue that should concern all of us... the right to an accessible education.

As the dilemma of provincial loans and bursaries reforms lags on from year to year, it is becoming more and more apparent that students must start shifting their dependence from the perhaps well-intentioned but chronically over-cautious organs of student government. Our student body suffers from extreme apathy, no doubt, but it is becoming clear that if the rights and promises made to students are to be safeguarded, we are going to have to rely on ourselves, as individuals, to seek out courses of change and employ them regardless of what motions have passed or failed at the latest Students' Council meeting.

Susana Bejar



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HYDE PARK

## Friends in Ben Johnson's corner

Born in Falmouth Jamaica, now also a Canadian national, he made Jamaicans, West Indians and Canadians proud by winning a gold medal at the Seoul Olympics. In doing so, he has stopped the clock faster than anyone else. His 9.73 seconds for 100 m eclipsed his and the world's previous best of 9.83 which had already rocked the world. Canadians from everywhere spoke about the race which confirmed Ben Johnson's status as the fastest man ever. He had beaten a few of the world's best eight runners, at least six of which were Jamaicans.

Then came the crushing news. The IOC reported that Ben Johnson of Canada had tested positive for a banned substance and would be stripped of his medal. He was no longer a Canadian hero. Jokes on Jamaicans started to surface. The Canadian part of Ben Johnson was being downplayed as Canadians sought to distance themselves from him. His Jamaican roots, his doctor's Kitchican roots and the origin of the banned drug from the Caribbean was now being highlighted. Ben Johnson was pronounced guilty without trial and left to fight for himself.

Yet, the Jamaican Government had not forsaken him. They invited him to return home to Jamaicans, and other West Indians supported him. We West Indians have always considered him as Jamaican. It is no different now in his time of despair. We, the CSS, are here to support him. If he is guilty of taking drugs we will console him. If he is not, we will demand an apology. In any case we are in Ben's corner.

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# Tory underfunding, déjà-vu?

*At a banquet in November 1983, Concordia University administrators honoured Brian Mulroney for his term on the university's Board of Governors.*

*During his three-year tenure, the then-new Tory leader had attended only three of 36 monthly board meetings, so, after his speech, a reporter asked Mulroney why he was being applauded for his "outstanding contributions" after having missed so many meetings.*

*Mulroney smiled and said "Next question?"*

By Aaron Derfel and Tu Thanh Ha  
Canadian University Press

When the Tories entered the House of Commons with a 211-seat majority in 1984, Mulroney promised that his cabinet would strengthen federal ties to post-secondary education in the provinces.

Now that Mulroney is once again on the election ballot, the Tories' mediocre education record is being ignored, overshadowed by the attention attracted by free trade.

According to the Canadian constitution, education is within provincial jurisdiction. But the federal government indirectly funds post-secondary institutions through research grants and transfer payments.

In September 1985, Finance Minister Michael Wilson privately told provincial finance ministers that education and health care transfer payments would be cut by \$6 billion between 1986 and 1991. The Department of the Secretary of State is responsible for post-secondary education support and student financial aid. But then Secretary of State Benoit Bouchard was not even consulted.

When still in the Opposition in 1984, the Tories attacked the Liberal government for imposing similar cutbacks. In the House of Commons, prominent Tory MPs like John Crosby and Flora MacDonald repeatedly criticized the Liberals' five and six restraint program which retroactively slashed \$350 million from transfer payments to education between 1983 and 1985.

Wilson justified his decision to cut health and education spending, saying that the government had to trim its \$34 billion deficit, and the federal deficit has since dropped to \$29 billion. But for universities and colleges, the cuts came as enrollment increased for a sixth consecutive year. Between 1978 and 1988, operating grants have increased by only 2.5 per cent in real dollars while enrollment has risen by 27 per cent, according to the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

## Diming students to death

Going to school in the 1980s means paying more and getting less. It means classes in a 2000-seat concert hall and a higher student-to-professor ratio. It means using outdated lab equipment and studying out of portable trailers and warehouses, depleted

library stocks and going to the computer centre at midnight because no terminals were free during the day.

It also means increased tuition fees and a bewildering array of incidental fees: lab fee, library fee, photocopy fee, class material fee, library surtax, computer lab fee, academic materials fee, academic excellence fee, and so on.

In the past year, average tuition fees in Arts and Sciences have increased by four to eight per cent, surpassing the 3.8 per cent Consumer Price Index. In medicine, dentistry and engineering, the increase has been even steeper, with fees reaching \$2500.

"Students are being nicked and dined to death and they won't realize it until it'll be too late," says Catherine Louli, an information officer for the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS).

For student organizers like Louli, a more acute problem underlies the simplistic cutback horror stories. Under the current funding formula, there are no guarantees federal transfer payments received by the provinces will actually be spent on post-secondary education.

The Conservative party has a hypertendency to "respect the letter and spirit of federal-provincial arrangements for post-secondary education."

But Louli says, "The federal government cannot just abdicate its responsibilities on education. We do not advocate a centralized government but we have to have national educational standards."

## Organizing for education

The 1987 Saskatoon National Forum on Post Secondary Education, organized by the Secretary of State and the Council of Ministers of Education, united over 600 provincial and federal education officials, business people, labour leaders, school administrators, faculty and students to discuss problems in post-secondary education.

One of the forum's recommendations was that groups such as native students, immigrants, women and the disabled be targeted for new student financial aid programs. Ironically, it is such groups that have found access to post-secondary education hardest during the last five years.

In 1984 members of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) met representatives from all three

major parties at the same time. Delegate Tami Roberts said she wasn't impressed. "I didn't think the Progressive Conservatives said anything today that could be considered a commitment to post-secondary education. I'm cynical about lobbying the PCs," she said.

Roberts was also among over 100 delegates at a 1984 lobby session in Ottawa, three months after the Tories came to power.

The same day the delegates met with Tory ministers like Employment and Immigration Minister Flora MacDonald and Secretary of State Walter McLean to discuss complaints, the Conservatives announced they would freeze the amount of money set aside for student loans and cut \$85 million to Summer Works, a student job creation program.

Since 1984, the federal government has cut funding for student summer employment programs by 12 per cent. Funding dropped from \$201 million to \$180 million just in 1987. Last January, Minister of Youth Jean Charest announced that Challenge 88 funds will remain frozen at the 1986 and '87 levels of \$180 million.

Charest said decreasing unemployment figures the previous summer justified the spending ceiling. At 12.5 per cent, the jobless rate for returning students had been the lowest since 1981. But an analysis of Challenge 87—the last year Employment and Immigration

Canada released detailed figures for the program—reveals a less positive picture.

While the combined costs of tuition fees, housing, food and textbooks may exceed \$6,000 a year, the average gross earning for Challenge 87 was only \$2,141. In addition, the private sector of Challenge 87—which paid the highest wages—hired less women (only 39 per cent) than the public and non-profit sectors of the program.

## Financial Aid?

When Indian and Northern Affairs Minister Bill McKnight announced last year that his department would limit the financial aid given to Native students, Maureen Meloche shuddered in disbelief.

A Mohawk from the Kahnawake reserve, near Montréal, Meloche had been receiving \$150 a week from the federal government to study at Concordia University.

"I'm receiving it now but it's at a poverty level," she said, adding that she had to raise a daughter. "The money's there and it helps me, but I'd probably get more if I stayed on welfare."

Since its inception in 1973, the Post-Secondary Education Assistance Program (PSEAP) has provided full financial aid to all registered native post-secondary students in Canada.

Native students don't receive loans and bursaries but are funded an average of \$7,800 a year, which pays for tuition, shelter and travel

expenses. But in 1986, the federal government put a cap on funding which, along with further restrictions to PSEAP guidelines, has significantly reduced the number of students funded through the program. Though enrollment through the PSEAP program has jumped from 3,500 to 12,000 between 1977 and 1988, less than two per cent of native secondary students go on to complete a post-secondary education.

Only two tenths of a per cent of part-time Canadian students received financial aid from the federal government during the 1986-87 academic year. Of the 449 000 part-time students enrolled that year in universities and colleges across Canada, only 928 were assisted by a Canada Student Loans program.

With the exception of Québec, student financial aid has been legislated in every province by the 1964 Canada Student Loans Act.

Almost 25 years after its introduction, many of its founding premises have changed. There are more part-time students now, most of them are women or older students, and it is harder to get a summer job or permanent employment after graduation.

As a result, over 17 000 post-secondary students had debt loads of over \$10,000 in 1985-1986, according to a 1987 federal government analysis of Canada Student Loans data.

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I THINK THIS  
CUTBACK BUSINESS HAS  
GONE TOO FAR!

Universities



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# Soccer, football, hockey, rugby

by Theo Argitis

The defending national champion McGill Redmen football team face play-off elimination this weekend as they finish their regular-season schedule against the Bishops Gaiters. McGill dropped to a 3-3 record after a last-minute loss to the Ottawa Gee Gees last weekend. It was the second time this season the Redmen lost in the final minute of play.

Bishops have already clinched first place in the OQIFC while McGill either has to beat Bishops to qualify for the play-offs, or hope the Concordia Stingers lose or tie their game tonight against Ottawa. Queens is virtually guaranteed second place where McGill, Concordia and Ottawa are tied with 3-3 records setting the stage for six possible outcomes after this weekend's match-ups.

**Scenario #1:** Redmen win and Concordia beats Ottawa, McGill would finish third and the Stingers fourth...**Scenario #2:** Redmen win and Ottawa wins, McGill finishes fourth and Ottawa third...**Scenario**

**#3:** Redmen lose and Ottawa win, Ottawa is third and McGill fourth...**Scenario #4:** Redmen lose and Concordia wins, Concordia is third and Ottawa fourth (McGill misses the playoffs)...**Scenario #5:** Redmen lose and Ottawa ties Concordia, Concordia is third and Ottawa is fourth (McGill misses playoffs)...**Scenario #6:** Redmen win over Bishop's, Carleton upsets Queen's, Concordia beats Ottawa, McGill finishes second, Concordia finishes third and Queen's fourth, due to point differentials in games played between all three teams tied in the standings.

In their last meeting on October 7, the Gaiters defeated McGill 35-16. The game will be broadcast live on CKUT 90.3 FM and TSN.

## Soccer

The women's soccer team is hosting the Sherbrooke Vert et Or tonight at Molson Stadium. The game may determine who will finish second and third in the QUSL standings. The Martlets are three points ahead of Sherbrooke and in second place behind Concordia.

But McGill has one game in-hand... After eight games, rookie Sharon Tait leads the Martlets in scoring with six goals while Leslie Ogston, and sophomore Barbara Bruckert are next with five goals.

The McGill Redmen are still undefeated in QUSL action after a 1-0 victory over the UQTR Patriotes at McGill last week. McGill is still in first place with nine points, two more than second-place Sherbrooke and six more than third-place Concordia... McGill will be looking to extend their 11-year, regular season, home-game undefeated streak to 45 games when the Concordia Stingers will visit the Redmen on October 19.

## Hockey

The McGill Redmen play at Trois-Rivieres tonight in their second game of the OUAA season. In their season-opener McGill traveled to Kingston and defeated the Golden Gaels 6-2. McGill's lifetime record in Trois-Rivieres is 7-36-4 or a .191 average and has lost 10 consecutive road games at Trois-Rivieres... Redmen star Tim Ian-



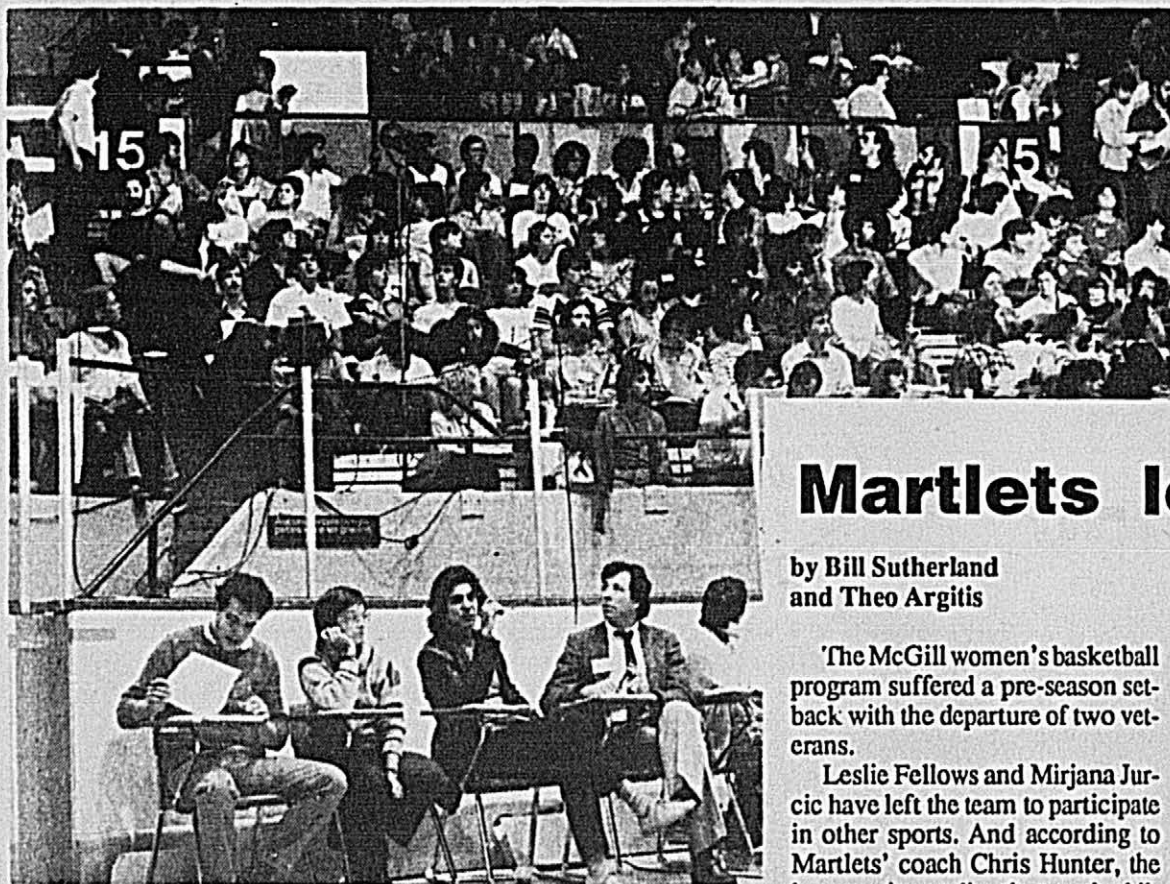
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Vincent Guyné, a McGill defensive back, ponders the question of elimination

none assisted on the winning-goal and netted a true hat-trick in the final period to pace McGill... The three Redmen game stars were Tim Iannone, Alain Cusson and Marc Lajeunesse... Overall, Iannone leads the team with 12 points in four games.

## Women's Rugby

The women ruggers met Bishop's last weekend in Montreal and tied 4-4. It was an awesome try by eightwoman Anne Coil that made the try. The women lost to John Abbot 8-0... The team plays at Bishop's this Sunday.



## Martlets lose veteran players

by Bill Sutherland and Theo Argitis

The McGill women's basketball program suffered a pre-season setback with the departure of two veterans.

Leslie Fellows and Mirjana Jurcic have left the team to participate in other sports. And according to Martlets' coach Chris Hunter, the loss may jeopardize the team's ability to compete nationally.

The Martlets have also lost five other veterans to retirement including starters Alexandra Franco, Helen Cowan, and Nat Melillo. Cowan was consistently the team's best player over the last few seasons.

Hunter said these losses will make the Martlets' winning this year's national title almost impossible.

"We went from a very mature to a very young team and there are just too many changes to really challenge nationally," Hunter said. He believes a Québec championship is more realistic.

Ironically, Fellows will still be

competing at McGill but, with the McGill Rowing Club. Previously, she rowed only during summer months and played basketball in the winter. But after winning the rowing nationals this summer, she decided to commit herself full-time to the sport.

Jurcic will spend the year playing with the Canadian national handball team. She would have been a tremendous asset to the Martlets as a rebounder. Last year, out of 24 games, she had 118 rebounds.

Even more serious was the loss of Cowan. She was the Martlets' leading scorer last year and earned a berth on the QUAA First Team All-Star Team with a 16.3 point-game average. Cowan also is in fourth position among McGill's all-time scoring leaders.

Hunter is especially disappointed that Fellows and Jurcic did not return. With Fellows' height and Jurcic's talent along the boards, Hunter said the team would be complete.

"We would be a real solid team and compete for the national cham-

pionship," he said.

But Fellows thinks she made a good decision.

"The decision wasn't such a big problem for me. I want to give a crack at the national team," she said. After the Olympics, usually there is a high turnover among national team members. By concentrating on rowing this year, Fellows hopes to realize her potential.

The Martlets do have three established players, Tina Fasone, Leah Hayman, and Julie Rousseau, who are returning. The other team members have played regularly in the past.

Hayman, a two-time conference all-star, was McGill's second leading scorer last season behind Cowan. Last year, Fasone lead the team in free throw percentage. And Rousseau, a QUAA second team All-Star, lead the Martlets in rebounds. All three are potential All-Canadian candidates.

"They are definitely the strength of our team," said Linda MacPherson, assistant coach of the Martlets.

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In 1987, then Secretary of State David Crombie struck an advisory board composed of students, business people, school administrators, faculty and government officials to review the 1964 act.

According to Mary Meloshe, director of the Student Assistance Directorate at the Department of the Secretary of State, Crombie was to act on the board's recommendations in August 1988. But in June, Mulroney realized he needed a

credible high-profile figure on the eve of a federal election, and replaced Crombie with Lucien Bouchard in the Lac-Saint-Jean by-election. The upcoming review of the advisory board's recommendations was interrupted—first by the ministerial change, then by the elections themselves.

For students, Mulroney's electoral tactics meant only another delay in five years of negligent education policies.



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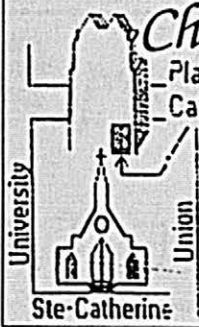
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## To the Daily:

Alex Roslin, in his October 4 article "Israeli Hardliners are faced with Shamir's Past", would do well to present his information in context. To begin with, the third world countries are said to have "become wary of Israel's foreign policy maneuvers. U.N. resolutions concerning Israel's various policies in the 1980s have often been condemning, and have had overwhelming support among developing nations." Roslin implies that this is a recent trend, due to Israel's recent political activities. The fact is that these nations have been hostile to Israel even before its birth in 1948, due to their perception of Israel as a product of the West, with western ideas and western culture (i.e. America). Israel has had a rough time in the U.N. because of this, as any example of the third world countries' voting habits concerning Israel since 1948 will indicate. No matter what Israel does these countries will still side with the Arabs (who undoubtedly make more valuable "friends", due to greater resources (i.e. oil) and political clout).

Mr. Roslin also mentions the Stern gang's violent attacks on Arabs and calls Irgun "Menachem Begin's terrorist army." These are very subjective words, and in times of war it is hard to draw the line between terrorism and simple fighting. The Palestinian's tactics since 1920 undoubtedly fall into the terrorism definition, however, and world opinion has recognized this. In the Arab riots of 1920, 1921, 1929 and 1936-1939 over one thousand Jewish civilians were killed in their homes, kibbutzes and wherever the Arabs could find them. Until 1947 there were no comparable Jewish reactions; the Jews were fighting strictly defensively while the Arabs were responding to Haj Amin El-Husseini's (the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, who later allied himself with Hitler) calls for pogrom-like riots, the tossing of grenades into Jewish markets, and the general massacre of all Jews and Christian Arabs. It is in this way that the Palestinians established their reputation for terrorism, which continues to this day. Not even a passing mention is made of the Arabs' behavior in Roslin's article.

Undoubtedly both sides of the Arab-Israeli conflict erred in some ways during the time leading up to the 1948 war. The massacre that Mr. Roslin mentions of 254 Arab

villagers in Deir Yassin by the Irgun and Stern gang units is such an error. The difference is that this was an anomaly in Israeli tactics, condemned by the Haganna High Command. Two days later, the Arab response was the massacre of 77 Red Cross doctors and nurses on the road to Jerusalem. For the Arabs this error represented much less of a deviation from "normal" tactics. The Deir Yassin incident was not why over 300 000 Palestinians fled Palestine and Israel, however. Haled Al Azm (Prime Minister of Syria 1948-1949) himself wrote in his memoirs "We ourselves encouraged them to leave [so as not to be in the way of the invading Arab armies]. We have brought destruction upon a million Arab refugees, by calling upon them and pleading with them to leave their homes, their work and their business, and we have caused them to be barren and unemployed though each one of them had been working and qualified in a trade from which he could make a living." It is their own Arab leaders who betrayed the Pal-

estinians, through misjudgment after misjudgment (the use of terrorism, refusal to compromise, overconfidence, etc...). The Jews themselves begged the Palestinians not to flee in the Jewish Federation's 1948 "Appeal to Arab Workers" and other similar proclamations.

Once again (although I admit space is always a limiting factor), Roslin fails to mention any of this. My point is that as with all international issues, one must bear in mind complexity and context. Certainly Israel's present treatment of the "INTIFADA" (West Bank Uprising) is cruel and harsh. The Palestinians deserve those rights available to all peoples of the world, but I have yet to see an acceptable workable alternative form of behaviour open to the Israelis. They must keep in mind their own need for security as well as the need for moral behavior. How do you deal with an uprising? The U.S. police force certainly was not kind with Vietnam protesters, who were much less violent than the Palestin-

ian rioters. If these were simple-right and wrong, good and bad actors and issues we would not have such a prolonged conflict on our hands, such a dilemma to deal with.

We should keep this in mind whenever we examine such issues.

David Latulippe  
U1 Arts

## To the Daily:

This letter is a response to Kerry Tedford's letter of September 26, which was written, in turn, in response to a letter by Suzanne Maître. S.M. states that women appearing in sexist rock videos should shoulder the blame for the ensuing damage to the image of women in general. K.T. writes that such blame is misdirected: actresses and models need jobs, and since most job opportunities involve sexist characterizations, the women who work in music videos are not to blame. Our economy and culture are at fault. K.T. goes on to say that an apt analogy is prostitution. Prostitutes should not be blamed for being prostitutes: their customers should.

I beg to differ. The analogy is apt, but the conclusion is not—because adults of sound mind bear responsibility for their actions whether they accept responsibility or not. The attitude that women are weak, mindless pawns in some international cultural and economic patriarchal conspiracy is not just silly, it is itself sexist and even paranoiac. Passing the buck is an escapist self-justification. To achieve equal rights for working women (and that battle is not yet over), working women went on strike, took to the streets and demanded them. If people working in dance, acting, or modeling do not want to be portrayed in a sexist light, they can say "No, thank you!" to a job they don't want. Or find some other career if it bothers their consciences. No one is putting a gun to their heads. Male and female sexism is rampant in much of Western culture, and though that includes rock videos, people work in that field because they have chosen to. They want the money, the success, the glamour, and even the fun of it. And they are not concerned about how what they do reflects upon social values.

A programme aired on CBC AM about a year ago featured an ex-prostitute as guest speaker. She believed that poor women often have no choice but prostitution. Most of the people who called in to respond were women, and the overwhelming majority of these women were very angry with her. I still remember how a number of callers spoke of how they survived the crushing poverty of the Depression without even considering prostitution (and patriarchal attitude were much more prevalent and strong then). Believing that people have no choice is not believing in free-will and an individual's power to shape his or her own destiny.

James Jervis  
MA 3

## To the Daily,

A week has passed since the article appeared in *The Daily* about Dr. Margaret Gillett's resignation as director of the Centre for Research and Teaching on Women and the questions that were raised by concerned McGill students have not yet been answered—at least not publicly.

Moreover, other questions have arisen which also need to be answered. For instance,

1. Why was last Friday's meeting of the Senate Committee on Women, which was called to discuss the McGill Women's Centre, a closed meeting?

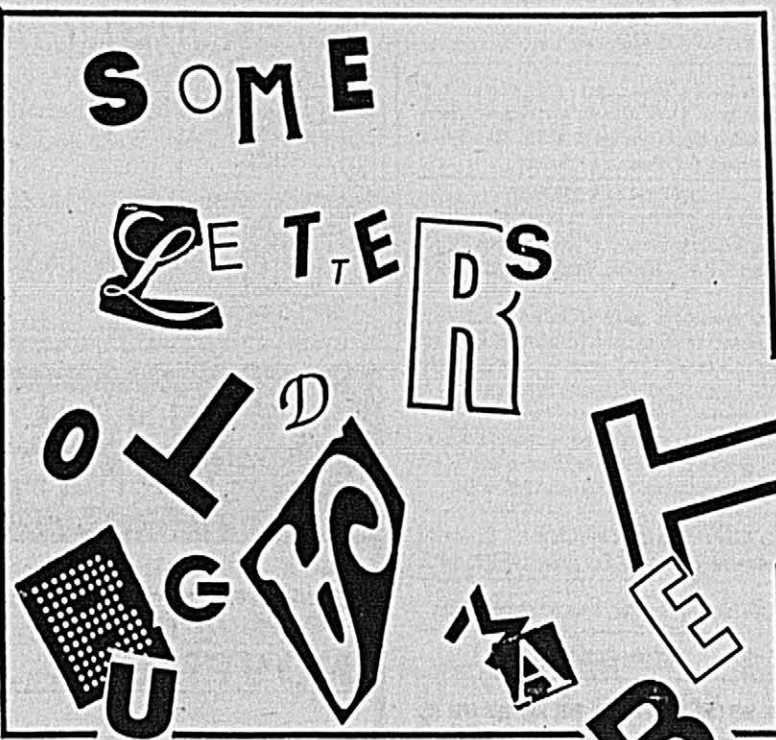
2. Why did the advisory committee refuse to meet with the Senate Committee on Women?

3. What is the real reason for the stance taken by the advisory committee?

All students at McGill who are currently engaged in research concerning women or those who are thinking about research in women-related issues should seriously consider what is happening right now. At a time when women's studies is struggling for credibility as an academic subject, the fact that we are losing the leadership of a very competent, academically-sound and internationally well-known director is an issue that warrants our special attention. As women in all areas of life demand above-the-board, ethical, professional decisions, students at McGill must do likewise.

I sincerely hope that the Senate Committee on Women will use its mandate to be informed about all McGill activities involving women to investigate further the allegedly unethical behaviour of the advisory committee. A quick perusal of the minutes of the advisory committee's meetings raises questions that can best be answered by members of that committee. When will they publicly refute accusations of unethical and unprofessional behaviour by telling us the whole story?

Judy Longacre  
PhD. 1



## To the Daily,

The offence that allegedly took place at the Zeta Psi Fraternity last month is a crime, and it should be dealt with accordingly. It is acceptable for the fraternity to suspend the members accused in the alleged assault until due process has been served in a court of law.

Karen Valihora and Jennifer August went one step further in the October 20 *Daily* in calling for the suspension of those who allegedly

witnessed the incident. They went too far. They did not actually commit the alleged offense. When a court of law hears the case, the alleged witnesses should be called upon to testify as to what they saw. Should the court declare their inactivity to be a criminal offense, then they should be dealt with accordingly. Until then, they should be left alone.

Richard Proulx  
U2 Arts

